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RESPONSE AND DECLARATION—AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on April 16, 2008, having a three-month
statutory period for response that expired on July 16, 2008, Applicants hereby request an
extension of time to respond and offer the following amendment of the claims and remarks in the
above-identified application as follows:

Request for Extension of Time, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.